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Honorable Nelson Crews Presides.
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New List of Officers. Golden An-
niversary Goes to Kansas City.
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The Grand Lodge, A. F. and A. M., of Missouri and jurisdiction, held its annual session at Hannibal, Mo., August 11, 12, and 13. The session was opened by the Rev. J. W. H. Smith, the history of Masonry in Missouri. Hon. Nelson C. Crews, Grand Master, invited to meet with the Grand Lodge on Thursday. Mrs. Dollie H. Smith, Grand Master's wife, presided. Jericho, Mrs. V. C. Haley, Grand Matron, O. E. S. Mrs. Nevada Kenner, Mrs. C. G. Williams, Mrs. Ida Walker, Mrs. Annie J. Carter, Mrs. J. C. McDowell, Grand High Priestess, Heroine of Jericho, Mrs. E. J. Smith, Mrs. America B. Robinson, Mrs. Frances L. Boxley, Past Grand Matrons O. E. S. Mrs. Lilah Swan, Grand High Priestess of Jericho, Mrs. Clara Alms, Clerk, Grand Treasurer, Order Eastern Star. These la-

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GEORGIA'S SHAME

At last they have lynched Leo. Frank. The mob spirit of the South again has triumphed. Another blot has been added to the badly stained escutcheon of Georgia. The typical lawless state of the nation has wrecked her vengeance on a helpless victim and flaunts her shame as a boast.

From first to last the Frank case has been an unspeakable disgrace to Georgia and a travesty on justice. Only one redeeming feature stands out—the moral courage of ex-Governor Slaton in commuting Frank's sentence to life imprisonment. For that act of heroism and justice the mob spirit of Georgia wanted the Governor's life. They even marched in force to his home.

Georgia sinks a bit lower—if possible—in the estimation of the nation. This is the culmination of a long series of acts of atrocity. They mock at law; they laugh at justice; they count human life cheap; they challenge the moral sense of the nation; they repudiate civilization; they taboo Christianity. Throughout her length and breadth, Georgia is a barbaric, passion-swayed horde, which, under the disguise of a commonwealth, sits in the sisterhood of States, her citizens lower than a tribe of Apaches, because the Apaches knew no better.

Of course there will be an "investigation"; and they will pass "resolutions"; and they will "exonerate" the prison officials; and there it will all end. Speaking upon this crime, Secretary of the Navy Daniels said: "The great bulk of the Southern people know that such instances, perpetrated by the few and indorsed by a small minority, work injury to their section." Mr. Daniels is wholly in error. "The great bulk of Southern people" are either in favor of, or passively indifferent to lynching; else the crime could and would be wiped out in the south. And moreover, if they "Know it works injury to their section" they certainly do not care.

To the same effect speaks Governor Harris when he says: "The people of Georgia will not approve of this action." We fear his enthusiasm is greater than his truth. As to his personal approval or disapproval, we must wait to see what steps he takes towards punishing the murderers of Frank and violators of rights guaranteed under the law.

Negroes of St. Louis—you who were born or raised in Georgia—if you are not unspeakably ashamed of your State, we are ashamed of you. As parents may disown dishonorable children, or children unworthy parents, so should every Georgia Negro forswear allegiance or loyalty to a state that has always considered our color lower than a dog, and now stoops to the further crime of lynching one of its own color.

What chance now can a Negro have in Georgia—disgraced and shameless Georgia!

SOME THOUGHTS ON SEGREGATION

If they segregate the Negro, why not segregate the Italian, the Pole, and all the other races? They are not even American. We are. Why not segregate the Jew? He is of another race, though American, like ourselves. Because they are not prejudiced against these races and they are prejudiced against us. But is prejudice a just or legal cause?

If they should attempt to segregate any other race, what would happen? That race would get together in the splendid unity they all manifest on occasion and issue a mighty and concerted protest. They might even resist the attempt by force of arms. Then shall we swallow an insult without a protest or be branded without resistance?

If this segregation movement originated with the real-estate speculators and is designed wholly and only to protect certain private interests, have they any right, under the charter or constitution, to further their ends by the use of public monies? As tax-payers, are we going to stand idly by and see the treasury, our treasury, drawn upon to pay the costs of lawless, prejudiced speculators in furthering their own game?

Man is a gregarious animal; he prefers to live in rare groups. But he refuses to be forced to live in such groups. Left to ourselves, we naturally gravitate towards Negro communities. Generally speaking, like all other races, we segregate ourselves. But shall we let the other fellow proscribe our bounds and set our limits, whether we will or no?

These are thoughts worth considering. Now let the Negro manhood and womanhood of St. Louis assert itself, attending the anti-segregation mass meetings being held from time to time. Speak and act! Get together! United we stand, but divided we fall.

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No need of a society for the conservation of sea nettles!

When nations throw bricks some bystander is bound to get hurt.

History in the making has a revolting habit of showing its seamy side.

Lying for one's country is fine, but living for it is ever so much better.

American exports of everything are enormous, with the exception of peace.

Many automobilists are getting out of the habit of indulging in Sunday accidents.

Counterfeiting Mexican money must be something like trying to spoil a decayed egg.

An eastern man has compiled eight rules for picking a wife, and even then it's no cinch.

Cannity flats from the fruit prove conclusively that no one is adulterating the shrapnel.

Hot weather not only makes corn grow, but it keeps some people from trying to write poetry.

When a man is old enough to know better, doing a foolish thing won't make him look young.

Here is one who speaks of the "obese female." We believe "fat woman" sounds much better.

Another interesting matter of speculation is: Why do the trousers of all public men bag at the knees?

If you want to see perfect marksmanship just watch a man in the act of throwing a bouquet at himself.

However small his superstitions, a powder manufacturer doesn't care to read about his mills going full blast.

One advantage of those tin automobiles is that they do not hurt so much when they run over a convulsive pedestrian.

Perhaps the reason so many stars of the stage are entering the movies is that they like to see their pictures in print.

What has become of the old-fashioned man who used to dye his mustache and imagine himself getting younger?

Every time the list of salaries paid movie stars is published some begin to doubt again the value of a college education.

A small boy's grievance against the human system is that no many things can be cured with a tablespoonful of castor oil.

About the most unappealing thing the human system is all human. The only truly beautiful thing about it is that it is human.

There is no especial anxiety to have the last word in diplomacy.

In these days of high explosives be careful of the theories you acquire.

Another health hint: Have your speedometer tested once in a while.

When Dame Fashion has nothing to promise the public she makes threats.

Is there not some way for a war-torn world to volplane back to safety?

Every owner presumes his dog innocent on all charges brought by the neighbors.

Russian tactics emphasize the important difference between a retreat and a maneuver.

Not even the chap who talks to himself should believe everything he hears these days.

A woman doesn't really appreciate freedom until she reaches home and takes off her corset.

Ask a chronic loafer what he is doing, and he will tell you that he is going to work tomorrow.

Perhaps, after all, the bay fever sufferers are lucky. Their attention is diverted from the war.

Oiling the mosquito seems only to have made the beast more efficient in its strategic night attack.

If people had to pay for their wars before they fought them there would be a paucity of universal peace.

Refrain from not touch alcohol. Probably the same further that keeps their true feelings under bed.

In spite of everything it looks as if this is going to be another good year for crops in the United States.

Whisky, poured into the Virginia river, is killing the fish. The only safe place to pour whisky is in a rat-hole.

The summer girl who wants to make a big splash in society should be careful and not try to start it in a canoe.

Pictures, says a lecturer, increase the appetite. How about those fruit and venison pictures in the boarding houses?

Pie-making machines can never become popular. No machine can give a pie the soul-thrill that mother puts into hers.

The people receive more advice about their diet than ever before and our observation is they pay less attention to it.

A woman testified that she knew her son-in-law was drunk because he tried to kiss her. She seems to have proved her case.

It will be said of the centenarian of the future that he spent forty years of his life handling the steering gear of an automobile.

When the papers begin to allude to a young girl as "a society belle," the cleverest young man who loves her begins to tremble.

Dutch observers report that they can hear the guns 141 miles away; all things considered, this strikes us as about the right distance.

Round corners for buildings are suggested. They would be desirable also on persons who now alter their way through crowded streets.

Mention a simple, old-fashioned household remedy to a physician and he'll admit that it will not do the patient any particular harm.

"No man in this world is so poor that he cannot own a dog," says the New Orleans States. "And it is very poor he can own three dogs."

A Philadelphia woman murdered her husband because he was not up to expectations. If this plan were allowed few of us would live very long.

It may require even more study to understand the rules of ocean travel than it takes to become familiar with all the traffic regulations of a great city.

A Canadian dental corps arrived in England lately with fresh troops. This goes to show that they are more than ever determined to show their teeth to the enemy.

Sheshell is recommended as a cure for insanity. It certainly affords to a lot of nuts in the branches an opportunity to work off nervously what is on their minds.

A Minnesota professor says that marrying the second time is like buying another book by the same author. Not exactly; it looks the happy ending is almost a certainty.

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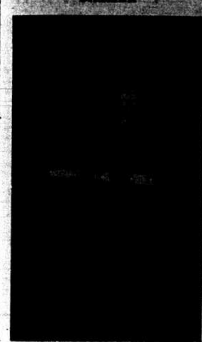
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Perrin and Crosby, Bonnie and Semora, Harry Brown, Mayme Selly, Form Attractive Bill

A good variety bill, composed of a series of artistic flashes, just enough to keep the audience at a high pitch of expectancy is on the boards at the Booker Washington Theatre this week.

Miss Mayme Selly opens the show with three song numbers, "Good Bye, Summer," "Rag Time in Dixie Land," and "Don't Blame Me." She does a little dancing and her work is passable.



Bonnie and Semora

Bonnie and Semora, favorites here, return, and have perhaps the best act we have seen them in. Semora is improving as an actress and is getting appreciative applause on both her singing and dancing.

Bonnie is featuring an artistic toe dance that is far superior to anything of the kind previously shown on this stage. Considering the fact that he is an impersonator, his grace is wonderful. The team sings several songs and closes with a musical number that takes the house by storm when Bonnie discloses her deception.

Harry Brown, the singing crayon artist, is duplicating his previous success here. Mr. Brown's lightning drawings always culminate into a perfect picture and his musical accompaniment adds sentiment and sometimes pathos to his work. He is featuring "An Indian Maid," "Mother" and "Rock of Ages."

Perrin and Crosby have a musical act that is out of the ordinary and decidedly unique. The scene is laid in a family back yard on wash day. Perrin, as the school boy, always

late, who can do anything he wants to, "but don't want to," keeps up a stream of merriment with his comedy. The team converts everything in the yard into musical instruments. The old table contains musical coins. The clothesprop is played as a violin and bow. The clothespins are a caliope and the clothes themselves become musical bells, on which sweet melodies are played. The act goes big and draws round after round of ringing applause.

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GIANTS EASTERN TRIP DELAYED

The St. Louis Giants failed to get away for the East on schedule time this week. The team was due to play at the K. of P. Encampment in Columbus, Wednesday and Thursday. The next important game is to be in New York Sunday. No definite information was obtainable when the Argus inquired at headquarters Wednesday evening. The Giants played in Quincy, Saturday and Sunday; winning Saturday 13 to 4, Smith pitching, and losing Sunday 1 to 6, Williams on the mound.

WALTON BLUES STILL WINNING

The Walton Blues won again last Sunday, defeating the Maroons in a well fought game, 8 to 6. This makes three straight victories over the Maroons. The Waltons have played 14 games this season, losing only one. They will meet Kyle's E. St. Louis Giants, next Sunday, August 22, in East St. Louis. For games telephone Del 4160.

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Don't fail to come to the Tea, House Tea Garden and Royal Wedding at synan Chapel A. M. E. Church, in the outer court, Monday, August 23, 1915, 8:30 p. m.

The park and court will be decorated in royal style and electric flash fights. The band will play the wedding march at 9 o'clock sharp. Then on Tuesday at 8:30 p. m. the 24th, all the affair. See this couple start off for life.

The committee will entertain all the people the balance of the week with a church fair. For refreshments of all kinds, barbecued meats, confectioneries, melons; soda, iced tea, cream and cake, we are sparing no pains. Come for a week's enjoyment.

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